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SUBJECT: KUWAIT PUSHES FOR ARAB SUMMIT: PLO ON

LIBYAN - EGYPTIAN DISPUTE

REF: KUWAIT 3891 (NOTAL)

1. LATEST KUWAIT PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT KUWAIT STRONGLY  
DESIRES, AND IS PREPARING ITSELF FOR, ARAB SUMMIT MEETING.

IN ADDITION TO FORMAL GOK STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR SAUDI

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SUMMIT PROPOSAL (REFTEL), PRESS REPORTS (AL QABAS, AUGUST 17)

THAT KUWAITI AMIR RETURNING EARLY FROM CUSTOMARY HOLIDAY IN ENGLAND TO "FOLLOW UP ARAB SUMMIT CONTACTS." IMPLICATION IS THAT AMIR WOULD ATTEND SUMMIT. ALSO KUWAIT DEFMIN REPORTED (AL ANBA, AUGUST 17) AS SAYING THAT LEBANESE CONFLICT MUST BE STOPPED "AT ANY COST" BECAUSE DANGER IT REPRESENTS IS "BEYOND ANY ESTIMATION," THUS ARAB BROTHERS MUST "MEET AT ANY LEVEL."

2. AL SIYASAH, AUGUST 17, REPORTS THAT KUWAIT COUNCIL OF MINISTERS INSTRUCTED FON MIN, NOW AT COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE (NAC) TO BEND EVERY EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE ATTENDANCE AT SUMMIT BY ARAB LEADERS "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE" AND "TO MELT THE WALL OF ICE BETWEEN A NUMBER OF ARAB LEADERS AND ATTEMPT TO SOLVE ALL THE DISPUTES AMONG THEM, THE MOST OUTSTANDING OF WHICH IS THE LIBYAN - EGYPTIAN DISPUTE." SAME REPORT NOTES THAT KUWAITI FON MIN HAS ALREADY DISCUSSED SUMMIT IN COLOMBO WITH ASSAD OF SYRIA, SADAT OF EGYPT, AND BOUMEDIENNE OF ALGERIA, AND THAT FON MIN WILL CONTINUE SIDE CONTACTS DURING REMAINDER OF NAC. BOUMEDIENNE AND SADAT TALKS REPORTEDLY CENTERED ON LIBYAN - EGYPTIAN PROBLEM AND INCLUDED PLEA TO SADAT TO WITHDRAW HIS FORCES FROM LIBYAN BORDER AS INITIAL STEP TOWARD SETTLING QUARREL.

3. AL SIYASAH ALSO REPORTS THAT GOK HAS RECEIVED A MESSAGE "CONCERNING A LIBYAN SUGGESTION TO HOLD AN URGENT MEETING OF ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THE EGYPTIAN TROOPS MASSING ON THE BORDER OF LIBYA. HOWEVER, HIGHLY INFORMED SOURCES EXPRESSED HOPE THAT EFFORTS BEING MADE NOW IN COLOMBO WOULD RESULT IN CONVINCING PRESIDENT SADAT" TO WITHDRAW TROOPS BEFORE ANY ARAB LEAGUE MEETING.

4. SAME NEWSPAPER CARRIES PLO PRONOUNCEMENT BY "RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL SOURCE" IN KUWAIT THAT THERE IS "NO VALUE" IN HOLDING ARAB SUMMIT BEFORE RECONCILING EGYPTIAN - LIBYAN AND EGYPTIAN - SYRIAN DIFFERENCES. SOURCE INDICATED THAT ARAFAT HAD ENCOURAGED SADAT TO WITHDRAW FORCES FROM LIBYAN BORDER TO MAKE POSSIBLE ARAB SUMMIT. "WE DEMAND THAT ARAB SUMMIT BE HELD."

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